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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This amendment is filed in response to the Office action mailed October 15 2007, and is timely filed.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 35-45 and 48 are pending in the present application. Claims 35-45 and 48 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Marnell (U.S. Patent No. 5,393,057) in view of Giobbi (of record). In the previous Office action response, Applicants filed a 37 CFR 1.131 Declaration of Prior Invention swearing behind the unclaimed subject matter of the Giobbi reference (U.S. Publication No. 2002/0107072; U.S. Patent No. 6,749,510). This declaration appears to have been overlooked, since it was not addressed in the Office action of October 15, 2007.

No claims have been amended. No claims have been canceled. No claims have been added. Applicants respectfully contend that the differences between the claimed invention and the cited references are such that the claimed invention is patentably distinct over the cited references.